

District Court Judge

David A. Nesbett, Third Judicial District



MAILING ADDRESS: Alaska Court System,
Boney Courthouse
303 K Street
Anchorage, AK 99501

AGE: 50

PLACE OF BIRTH: Anchorage

SPOUSE'S NAME: Michelle Nesbett

CHILDREN'S NAMES: Charlotte and Marion
Nesbett

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 50 years

ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:
Anchorage, 1972 to present.

EDUCATION:
West Anchorage High School
Wesleyan University
University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:
Assistant Municipal Prosecutor, Assistant District
Attorney, Special Assistant U.S. Attorney, 2000-2006;
Associate Attorney, Dorsey & Whitney and Jermain
Dunnagan & Owens, 2006-2010; Shareholder, Nesbett
& Nesbett, PC, 2010-2019; District Court Judge for the
State of Alaska, 2019-present

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS MEMBERSHIPS:
Alaska Bar Association
U.S. Air Force Civilian Advisory Board Member

SPECIAL INTERESTS:
General Aviation Pilot

STATEMENT:
As a third generation Alaskan, I am dedicated to helping fellow Alaskans resolve their disputes and to upholding the high standards of our judiciary. I have lived my whole life in Alaska, including my professional career prior to becoming a judge as a prosecutor, as an associate attorney, and as an owner of my own law office handling a wide range of both civil and criminal matters. This personal and professional background has provided valuable experience and preparation for my current work.

As a District Court Judge in Anchorage, I preside over many different types of cases, including civil claims, criminal cases, landlord-tenant disputes, and small claims matters. While we handle a high volume of cases in the District Court, I am dedicated to listening impartially to all parties, evaluating carefully the evidence presented, and applying the law objectively, consistently, and fairly. I am committed to ensuring that everyone has access to the court and understands the reasoning behind the court's decisions. Everyone appearing as a party before the court is present on a matter of the utmost importance to them. They are each entitled to an opportunity to express themselves and be heard, and they each deserve my undivided attention and respect. I am very grateful to the people of Alaska for giving me the opportunity to serve them in a job that I love doing. It would be an honor to continue to serve my community in this manner.

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Alaska Judicial Council Evaluation

Judge David A. Nesbett, Anchorage District Court

The Alaska Judicial Council finds Judge Nesbett met or exceeded performance standards, and recommends a **“YES”** vote for another term in office

Judge Nesbett was appointed to the Anchorage District Court in March of 2019. Judge Nesbett handles civil and criminal cases. This is his first retention evaluation.

Summary: After conducting its performance review, the Judicial Council determined that Judge Nesbett met or exceeded performance standards on all criteria, including legal ability, integrity, impartiality/fairness, temperament, diligence, and administrative skills. The Council further concluded that Judge Nesbett complied with judicial ethics standards.

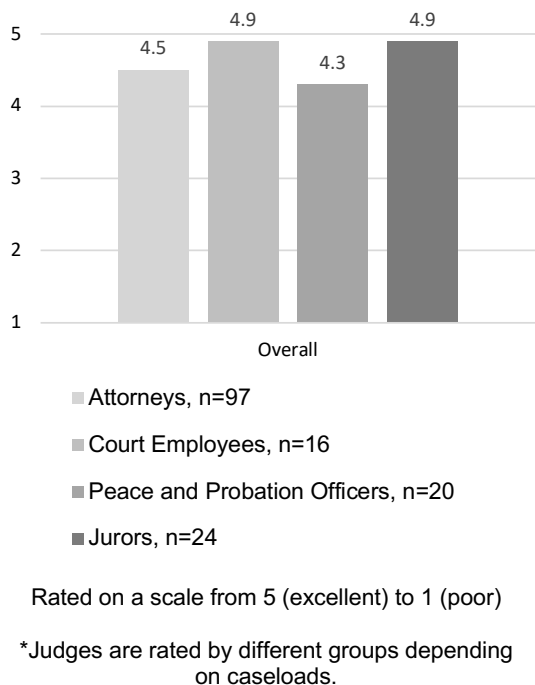
The Alaska Judicial Council therefore **recommends a “yes” vote** to retain Judge Nesbett in office.

Survey ratings: Attorneys and peace and probation officers who appeared before Judge Nesbett gave him excellent reviews, as did court employees and jurors. One juror commented, “[He was] very professional and attentive to the needs of all in the courtroom.” The chart shows some of the survey ratings received by Judge Nesbett. Complete survey ratings are available at www.ajc.state.ak.us.

Professional activities: The Council’s review of Judge Nesbett’s professional activities showed positive contributions to the administration of justice and his community. Judge Nesbett made contributions in the areas of therapeutic courts, working group service, community outreach, and youth activities. A detailed list of Judge Nesbett’s professional and community activities is posted at www.ajc.state.ak.us.

Other performance indicators: The Council reviewed other performance indicators for Judge Nesbett, including financial and conflict of interest statements, whether pay was withheld for an untimely decision, how often parties disqualified Nesbett from cases, and appellate reversal rates. Judge Nesbett performed well in these areas.

Justice System Professionals' Survey Ratings for "Overall" Job Performance for Judge Nesbett



Find this judge's full performance evaluation at www.ajc.state.ak.us